

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

**October 26, 2000
(recessed and reconvened October 30, 2000,
October 31, 2000, November 1, 2000, November 2, 2000,
November 8, 2000, November 9, 2000, November 13, 2000
and November 21, 2000)**

The Honorable,
The Board of Commissioners
of Cook County

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Finance of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County met pursuant to notice on Thursday, October 26, 2000, at the hour of 10:30 A.M. in the Board Room, Room 569, County Building, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois, to consider the 2001 Executive Budget for the purpose of conducting hearings on said budget.

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Carr, Commissioners Butler, Collins, Goslin, Hansen, Lechowicz, Maldonado, Moran, Moreno, Quigley, Schumann, Silvestri, Sims, Steele, Sutker and President Stroger (17)

ABSENT: None (0)

The following notices were distributed prior to commencement of the meeting:

NOTICE

October 19, 2000

The FY 2001 Proposed Budget, including the Corporate, Public Safety and Cook County Health Program Budgets, prepared in tentative form, are available for public inspection at the following locations, beginning October 26, 2000.

Bureau of Finance, Department of Budget and Management Services, Room 1100, Cook County Building, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Second District Courthouse, 5600 Old Orchard Road, Skokie, Illinois, in the Office of the County Clerk, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Third District Courthouse, 2121 Euclid Avenue, Rolling Meadows, Illinois, in the Office of the County Clerk, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Fourth District Courthouse, 1500 South Maybrook Drive, Maywood, Illinois, in the Office of the County Clerk, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Fifth District Courthouse, 10220 South 76th Avenue, Bridgeview, Illinois, in the Office of the County Clerk, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Sixth District Courthouse, 16501 South Kedzie Parkway, Markham, Illinois, in the Office of the County Clerk, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

NOTICE

October 19, 2000

The Finance Committee of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County has scheduled the meetings listed below for the purpose of conducting departmental reviews on the FY 2001 Budget, including Corporate, Public Safety and Cook County Health Program Budgets.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Monday, October 30, 2000	10:00 a.m.	County Building Cook County Board Room, Room 569 118 North Clark Street Chicago, Illinois
Tuesday, October 31, 2000	10:00 a.m.	County Building Cook County Board Room, Room 569 118 North Clark Street Chicago, Illinois
Wednesday, November 1, 2000	10:00 a.m.	County Building Cook County Board Room, Room 569 118 North Clark Street Chicago, Illinois
Friday, November 3, 2000	10:00 a.m.	County Building Cook County Board Room, Room 569 118 North Clark Street Chicago, Illinois

NOTICE

October 19, 2000

The Finance Committee of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County has scheduled the meetings listed below for the purpose of conducting public hearings on the FY 2001 Budget, including Corporate, Public Safety and Cook County Health Program Budgets.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Thursday, November 2, 2000	6:30 p.m.	Fourth District Courthouse 1500 South Maybrook Drive Room 112 Maywood, Illinois
Wednesday, November 8, 2000	6:30 p.m.	Second District Courthouse 5600 Old Orchard Road Room 201 Skokie, Illinois
Thursday, November 9, 2000	6:30 p.m.	Sixth District Courthouse 16501 South Kedzie Parkway Room 098 Markham, Illinois
Monday, November 13, 2000	10:00 a.m.	County Building 118 North Clark Street Cook County Board Room, Room 569 Chicago, Illinois

The public may testify at these meetings. Persons wishing to testify should give their name and the name of any organization they may represent to the Secretary to the Board, 118 North Clark Street, Room 567, County Building, Telephone: (312) 603-6127. Each organization will be limited to one speaker. Each speaker will be limited to 3 minutes. Speakers are requested to submit 30 copies of any written statement to the committee prior to speaking.

Vice Chairman Carr, seconded by Commissioner Lechowicz, moved to adopt the schedules of hearings. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Daley recessed the meeting to the hour of 10:00 A.M. on Monday, October 30, 2000 in the County Building, Board Room, Room 569.

October 30, 2000

Pursuant to notice, your Committee on Finance of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County reconvened its meeting on Monday, October 30, 2000 at the hour of 10:00 A.M. in the County Building, 118 North Clark Street, Board Room, Room 569, Chicago, Illinois, for the purpose of conducting departmental reviews on the FY 2001 Budget, including Corporate, Public Safety and Cook County Health Program Budgets.

The following departments presented their budget during the hearing:

Bureau of Finance
Bureau of Health
County Clerk
Bureau of Human Resources
Public Administrator
Board of Review
Bureau of Administration

Chairman Daley recessed the meeting to the hour of 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, October 31, 2000 in the County Building, Board Room, Room 569.

October 31, 2000

Pursuant to notice, your Committee on Finance of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County reconvened its meeting on Tuesday, October 31, 2000 at the hour of 10:00 A.M. in the County Building, 118 North Clark Street, Board Room, Room 569, Chicago, Illinois, for the purpose of conducting departmental reviews on the FY 2001 Budget, including Corporate, Public Safety and Cook County Health Program Budgets.

The following departments presented their budget during the hearing:

County Auditor
Recorder of Deeds
Cook County Treasurer
State's Attorney
Office of the President
Board of Commissioners
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Assessor of Cook County
Board of Elections
Bureau of Public Safety/Judicial Coordination
Office of Capital Planning and Policy
Department of Facilities Management

Chairman Daley recessed the meeting to the hour of 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, November 1, 2000 in the County Building, Board Room, Room 569.

November 1, 2000

Pursuant to notice, your Committee on Finance of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County reconvened its meeting on Wednesday, November 1, 2000 at the hour of 10:00 A.M. in the County Building, 118 North Clark Street, Board Room, Room 569, Chicago, Illinois, for the purpose of conducting departmental reviews on the FY 2001 Budget, including Corporate, Public Safety and Cook County Health Program Budgets.

The following departments presented their budget during the hearing:

Office of the Cook County Inspector General
Bureau of Information Technology and Automation
Chief Judge
Sheriff of Cook County

Chairman Daley recessed the meeting to the hour of 6:30 P.M. on Thursday, November 2, 2000 in the Fourth District Courthouse, Village of Maywood.

November 2, 2000

Pursuant to notice, your Committee on Finance of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County reconvened its meeting on Thursday, November 2, 2000 at the hour of 6:30 P.M. in the Fourth District Courthouse, 1500 South Maybrook Drive, Room 112, Maywood, Illinois, for the purpose of conducting public hearings on the FY 2001 Budget, including Corporate, Public Safety and Cook County Health Program Budgets.

The following person offered testimony during the hearing:

1. Ronald Bean, Esq. – Chair of the Finance Committee of the South Suburban Primary Health Care Council, which administers the Access to Care program. Written statement also distributed.

Chairman Daley recessed the meeting to the hour of 6:30 P.M. on Wednesday, November 8, 2000 at the Second District Courthouse, Village of Skokie.

November 8, 2000

Pursuant to notice, your Committee on Finance of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County reconvened its meeting on Wednesday, November 8, 2000 at the hour of 6:30 P.M. in the Second District Courthouse, 5600 Old Orchard Road, Room 201, Skokie, Illinois, for the purpose of conducting public hearings on the FY 2001 Budget, including Corporate, Public Safety and Cook County Health Program Budgets.

The following person offered testimony during the hearing:

1. Lawrence Harman – Director of Pastoral Care, Social Services and Mission Services at Alexian Brothers Medical Center; Director and past committee chair of the Suburban Primary Health Care Council, which administers the Access to Care Program. Written statement also distributed.

Chairman Daley recessed the meeting until the hour of 6:30 P.M. on Thursday, November 9, 2000 in the Sixth District Courthouse, City of Markham.

November 9, 2000

Pursuant to notice, your Committee on Finance of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County reconvened its meeting on Thursday, November 9, 2000 at the hour of 6:30 P.M. in the Sixth District Courthouse, 16501 South Kedzie Parkway, Room 098, Markham, Illinois, for the purpose of conducting public hearings on the FY 2001 Budget, including Corporate, Public Safety and Cook County Health Program Budgets.

The following people offered testimony during the hearing:

1. Robert Wharton – President and Chief Executive Officer of the Community and Economic Development Association (CEDA).
2. Joslyn McGee – Outpatient at Oak Forest Hospital. Written statement also distributed.
3. John P. Morgan, Jr. – Father of a patient at Oak Forest Hospital. Written statement also distributed.
4. Keith Bell – Outpatient at Oak Forest Hospital. Written statement also distributed.
5. Clifford Hawkins – President of the Woody Winston Health Center Advisory Board. Written statement also distributed.
6. Jackie Rush – representing the Cottage Grove Medical Center Advisory Board. Written statement also distributed.
7. Manuel Almazan – resident of Tinley Park and member of the Robbins Health Center Advisory Board. Written statement also distributed.
8. Nell Givens – President of the Community Advisory Board of the Robbins Health Center. Written statement also distributed.
9. Greg Kieta – Citizen. Spoke in support of a tax on mobile homes.
10. Reverend Beverly Jefferson – Associate Minister of Union Evangelistic Baptist Church in Chicago Heights, and patient at the Oak Forest Ambulatory Health Center. Written statement also distributed.
11. Adelia Jones – resident of Ford Heights. Written statement also distributed.
12. Kay Jones – staff representative with the Illinois Nurses Association representing nurses at Oak Forest Hospital. Documentation also distributed.

13. Carol Gindel – Citizen. Spoke in support of a tax on mobile homes.
14. Roger H. Sons – Citizen. Spoke in support of a tax on mobile homes. Documentation also distributed.

Chairman Daley recessed the meeting until the hour of 10:00 A.M. on Monday, November 13, 2000 in the County Building, Chicago, Illinois.

November 13, 2000

Pursuant to notice, your Committee on Finance of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County reconvened its meeting on Monday, November 13, 2000 at the hour of 10:00 A.M. in the County Building, 118 North Clark Street, Board Room, Room 569, Chicago, Illinois, for the purpose of conducting public hearings on the FY 2001 Budget, including Corporate, Public Safety and Cook County Health Program Budgets.

The following people offered testimony during the hearing:

1. Ray Harris – Director of Intergovernmental Affairs for AFSCME Council 31. Written statement also distributed.
2. Victoria Bigelow – President of the Suburban Primary Health Care Council, which administers the Access to Care program. Written statement also distributed.
3. Locke E. Bowman – Legal Director of the MacArthur Justice Center. Written statement also distributed.
4. John Currie – President of the Civic Federation. Written statement also distributed.
5. Thomas Kirkpatrick – President of the Chicago Crime Commission. Written statement also distributed.
6. William F. Wendt, Jr. – Citizen. Written statement also distributed.
7. Lauren Raphael – Staff Attorney for the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU). Written statement also distributed.

Chairman Daley entered the attached Editorial from the November 13, 2000 Chicago Sun-Times into the record. (See Attachment A)

Chairman Daley recessed the meeting until the hour of 2:00 P.M. on Tuesday, November 21, 2000 in the County Building, Chicago, Illinois.

November 21, 2000

Pursuant to notice, your Committee on Finance reconvened its meeting at the hour of 2:00 P.M. on Tuesday, November 21, 2000 in the County Building, 118 North Clark Street, Board Room, Room 569, Chicago, Illinois, for the purpose of considering the amendments to, and approval of, the 2001 Corporate, Public Safety and Cook County Health Program Budgets.

Your Committee commenced consideration of the amendments:

AMENDMENT NUMBER 1

Amendment sponsored by Commissioners Hansen and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 011 – Office of the Chief Administrative Officer. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Sims, seconded by Commissioner Hansen, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 2

Amendment sponsored by Commissioners Goslin and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 011 – Office of the Chief Administrative Officer. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Lechowicz, seconded by Commissioner Sims, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 3

Amendment sponsored by Commissioners Goslin and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 011 – Office of the Chief Administrative Officer. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Sims, seconded by Commissioner Maldonado, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 4

Amendment sponsored by President Stroger and Commissioners Carr and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 018 – Office of the County Commissioners. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Sims, seconded by Commissioner Butler, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED. Commissioner Moran voted present.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 5

Amendment sponsored by Commissioners Carr and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 018 – Office of the County Commissioners. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Commissioner Sims, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 6

Amendment sponsored by Commissioners Hansen and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 020 – Office of the Comptroller.. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Hansen, seconded by Commissioner Sims, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 7

Amendment sponsored by Commissioner Hansen. Budgetary Unit: 021 – Office of the Chief Financial Officer. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Hansen. The motion failed for lack of a second, therefore the amendment FAILED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 8

Amendment sponsored by Commissioners Hansen and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 021 – Office of the Chief Financial Officer. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Hansen, seconded by Commissioner Sims, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 9

Amendment sponsored by Commissioners Hansen and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 021 – Office of the Chief Financial Officer. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Hansen, seconded by Commissioner Sims, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 10

Amendment sponsored by Commissioners Goslin and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 021 – Office of the Chief Financial Officer. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Sims, seconded by Commissioner Maldonado, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 11

Amendment sponsored by Commissioners Hansen and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 022 – Contract Compliance. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Hansen, seconded by Commissioner Steele, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 12

Amendment sponsored by Commissioners Hansen and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 030 – County Purchasing Agent. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Hansen, seconded by Commissioner Sims, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 13

Amendment sponsored by Commissioners Hansen and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 032 – Bureau of Human Resources. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Hansen, seconded by Commissioner Sims, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 14

Amendment sponsored by Commissioners Carr and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 040 – County Assessor. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Commissioner Sims, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 15

Amendment sponsored by Commissioners Hansen and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 110 – County Clerk. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Hansen, seconded by Commissioner Sims, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 16

Amendment sponsored by Commissioners Carr and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 110 – County Clerk. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Commissioner Sims, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 17

Amendment sponsored by Commissioners Carr and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 111 – County Clerk – Election Division. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Commissioner Sims, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 18

Amendment sponsored by Commissioner Hansen. Budgetary Unit: 170 – Zoning Board of Appeals. The amendment was WITHDRAWN by the Sponsor.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 19

Amendment sponsored by Commissioners Hansen and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 170 – Zoning Board of Appeals. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Hansen, seconded by Commissioner Sims, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 20

Amendment sponsored by Commissioners Carr and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 230 – Court Services Division. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Commissioner Sims, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 20 continued

AMENDMENT NUMBER 21

Amendment sponsored by Commissioners Hansen and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 259 – Medical Examiner. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Hansen, seconded by Commissioner Sims, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 22

Amendment sponsored by Commissioners Carr and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 260 – Public Defender. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Commissioner Collins, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 23

Amendment sponsored by Commissioner Moran. Budgetary Unit: 310 – Office of the Chief Judge. The amendment was WITHDRAWN by the Sponsor.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 24

Amendment sponsored by Commissioner Moran. Budgetary Unit: 310 – Office of the Chief Judge. The amendment was WITHDRAWN by the Sponsor.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 25

Amendment sponsored by Commissioners Carr and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 440 – Juvenile Temporary Detention Center. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Commissioner Sims, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 26

Amendment sponsored by Commissioners Moran and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 500 – County Highway Department. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Sims, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 27

Amendment sponsored by Commissioners Carr and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 524 – County Clerk – Election Division Fund. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Commissioner Sims, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 28

Amendment sponsored by Commissioners Carr and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 103 – Recorder of Deeds. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Commissioner Sims, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 29

Amendment sponsored by Commissioner Hansen. Budgetary Unit: 891 – Provident Hospital of Cook County. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Hansen, seconded by Commissioner Schumann, and on a voice-vote, the amendment FAILED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 30

Amendment sponsored by Commissioner Hansen. Budgetary Unit: 897 – Cook County Hospital. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Hansen, seconded by Commissioner Goslin, and on a voice-vote, the amendment FAILED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 31

Amendment sponsored by Commissioners Carr and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 527 – County Recorder Document Storage System Fund. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Commissioner Sims, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 32

Amendment sponsored by Commissioners Butler and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 018 – Office of the County Commissioners. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Butler, seconded by Commissioner Maldonado, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED.

AMENDMENT NUMBER 33

Amendment sponsored by Commissioners Daley and Sims. Budgetary Unit: 250 – State’s Attorney. The amendment was moved for approval by Commissioner Lechowicz, seconded by Commissioner Moreno, and on a voice-vote, the amendment was APPROVED.

Vice Chairman Carr, seconded by Commissioner Lechowicz, moved to recommend to the Board of Commissioners the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2001 Cook County Annual Appropriation Ordinance as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

Vice Chairman Carr, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, moved to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Committee on Finance

John P. Daley, Chairman

Attest:

Sandra K. Williams, Secretary

Transcripts for the meetings referenced in this report are available in the Office of the Secretary to the Board, 118 N. Clark Street, Room 567, Chicago, IL 60602.

ATTACHMENT A